Lack of Training Camps for NCC Cadets

3041. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that majority of the NCC cadets do not attend the camps to obtain certificates-'A', 'B' & 'C', due to inadequate number of training camps;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the failure of NCC authorities to hold the requisite number of training camps; and

(c) what remedial action has been initiated by Government to provide the camp training facility to the NCC Cadets?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c) Out of the total enrolled strength of 11.4 lakh cadets in the NCC, only 50% are required to attend Camps in a training year. During the current year, upto November 1992, a total of 578 Training Camps have been conducted, covering 3,46,734 Cadets. Some of the State NCC Directorates are unable to achieve the envisage targets of Training Camps due to the non-release of adequate funds by the concerned State Governments. The Deputy Directors General National Cadets Corps of these States have been instructed to liaise with the defaulters State Governments for release of adequate funds.

NCC Units in the Country

3042. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1812 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1992 and state:

(a) the number of districts of the country' State-wise, having NCC Units and by when the remaining districts are likely to be covered;

(b) whether it is a fact that though NCC is popular with rural and backward area students yet they are deprived of NCC training because of the unwillingness of service personnel to be posted in the rural and backward areas; and

(c) if so, whether Government have formulated a precise policy and programme to provide NCC cover to students in the rural and backward areas?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a): The number of Districts covered by NCC is given in the statement attached *(see below)*. Ministry of Defence has sanctioned an additional Cadet strength of 50000, spread over 5 years. Director General, NCC, has been directed to ensure that while allocating the additional Cadet strength, the Districts which do not have NCC are also covered by 1995-96.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The policy formulated by the Ministry of Defence for allocation of the additional Cadet strength of 50000 by 1995-96 adequately covers the requirement of extending NCC to rural and backward areas.

Statement

Sl.	State/UT	No. of Distts. covered by NCC	No. of Distts. not covered by NCC
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	23	—
2.	Bihar	50	—
3.	Delhi (UT)	1	—
4.	Dadara and Nagar Haveli (UT)	1	—
5.	Gujarat	2	—
6.	Diu and Daman (UT)	2	—
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	14	—
8.	Karnataka	19	
9.	Goa	2	
10.	Kerala	14	—
11.	Lakshadweep (UT)	1	—
12.	Madhya Pradesh	43	2
13.	Maharashtra	30	—
14.	Assam (NER)	17	—
15.	Arunachal Pradesh	11	—
16.	Meghalaya	4	—
17.	Mizoram	2	1
18.	Manipur	5	3
19.	Nagaland	5	2
20.	Tripura	3	—
21.	Orissa	13	—
22.	Punjab	14	—
23.	Haryana	12	—
24.	Himachal Pradesh	11	—
25.	Chandigarh (UT)	1	—

1	2	3	4
26.	Rajasthan	30	—
27.	Tamil Nadu	22	—
28.	Pondicherry (UT)	4	—
29.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands (UT)	2	—
30.	Uttar Pradesh	62	—
31.	West Bengal	17	—
32.	Sikkim	4	
	TOTAL	459	8

Resource Problem for Coast Guard

3043. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in "Daily" dated the 11th November, 1992 under the caption "Indian Coast Guard facing resource problem in operation";

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government to the main observations made therein and the details of action proposed to be taken in the matter;

(c) what has been the performance of Indian Coast Guard in general and the western coast covering Gujarat and Maharashtra in particular during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) what are the names of the officers with outstanding performance with details thereof; and

(e) whether Government have formulated a scheme to confer recognition to the outstanding performance of the officers if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This news item refers to statements made by the DGCG and Commander CG (West) during a press briefing at Bombay. Both these officers had mentioned that due to the present resource constraints, there has been some delay in the induction of new ships. The Government is already seized of the matter. The development of the Coast Guard is progressing as per the Coast Guard Plans. The induction of ships has been prioritised, to ensure that sufficient funds are available for this purpose within the overall budget.

(c) The Coast Guard has performed its functions satisfactorily during the last three years. Details of apprehensions/seizures and rescue operations undertaken by Coast Guard during the last three years are given below:—

	Vessels apprehended	Crew apprehended	Contraband seized (Rs. in Crores)	Lives saved
Region West				
1990	23	283	44.31	25
1991	13	92	60.57	17
1992	15	61	13.20	8
Region East				
1990	4	55	10.55	13
1991	7	134	2.36	21
1992	22	186	8.64	4
Region Andaman & Nicobar				
1990	12	150	—	19
1991	11	134	—	—
1992	8	99	—	6